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RAILWAY SECRETARIAT

SUBJECT

Informing the Secy. to P.'s Association that the Conch. of Hassan-Mangalore Railway cannot be taken up in the near future etc.

WD 480—GBPM—1,000—1-10-25.

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I do not know what action is
known except perhaps to
inform the U.P.A. that the
project is financially assured.
There are voluminous papers on
the subject and out of them
we may be able to get.

(1) Pre war estimate of cost
which will have to be increased
now by at least 50%.

(2) Pre war estimate of traffic
which owing to increased rates
may be increased by 15%
The existing engineers also will
be heavy owing to the severe gradients.

(3) How many miles are in the
Mysore State and how
many in British Territory.

(4) I do not think that any
District Board has devised
a cess for their work as we
have proposed the Bhatkal
scheme.

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Replies to Secretary's Memo of 23-9-1922.

Points 1 & 3:-

Flag A

Mr. Gilchrist's Estimate, cost Rs.19214973/-

Mysore portion.	British portion.
78.87 Miles.	58.42 Miles.

Flag B

Mr.Grove's Estimate cost Rs.85,43,784/-.

107 Miles 2'-6" Gauge.

28.71 Miles Metre "

Flag F

Mr.Richard's Estimate cost Rs.1,53,18,000/-.

Mysore portion.	British portion.
49 Miles.	59 Miles.

Flag K

Mr.Bell's revised estimate based on Mr.Gilchrist's estimate made in 1896 (Metre Gauge cost Rs.1,77,80,144/-.

Mysore portion.	British portion.
52.09 Miles.	58.42 Miles.

Flag K

Mr.Bell's revised estimate based on Mr.Groves estimate made in 1901-02 (2'-6" Gauge). cost Rs.82,96,303/-.

Mysore portion.	British portion.
46.97 Miles.	60 03 Miles.

Point 2:-

Flags C + D

For pre-war Estimate of Traffic please refer to Flag "C" or page 8 of Mr.Groves' estimate of 1900-01 & Flag "D" or page 38 of Mr.Richard's estimate

Point 4:-

There are no papers relating to the levy of cess for this Railway.

Sent. 14/11/10

To the Dewan this the Planters Association in the Assembly a few days back that the Govt cannot consider this question for a few years to come, a similar reply may be given to the UPASO with the approval of Govt. SM 13/10

Typed note for Chief Secy.

The Hassan - Mangalore project has been under consideration for the last 26 years. Owing to the nature of the country and the heavy gradients it would be expensive to construct and the working expenses would be very high. Of the several estimates made Mr. Buchanan's is the most up to date and is probably the most accurate. His estimate for a metre gauge line the 49 miles within the Mysore State would cost Rs 85,72,111. a 2/6. b.g. line would cost the State Rs 49,56,774 - a considerable saving there is first cost but the narrow gauge would mean increased working expenses and owing to the break of gauge would seriously diminish the value of the line. As the State is not in a position to find the heavy capital required and as the chances of the line paying are practically nil it is impossible to give effect to Mr. Waddington's request.

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Dated, Bangalore 27th Octr *1922.*

No. 2256/C.B./Encl.One.

RAILWAY SECRETARIAT
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From

K. MATTHAN, Esq, B.A.,
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government.

To

H. Waddington, Esqr.,
Secretary, United Planters' Association
of Southern India, Coimbatore.

Sir,

Returned to Secy (Flag A)

In continuation of my letter No.1451/C.B. dated Camp Mysore, 23rd September 1922, acknowledging the receipt of your letter in the matter of the Hassan-Mangalore Railway Project, I am directed to forward herewith, for your information, a copy of the Dewan's reply to the Addresses presented to him at the opening of the Representative Assemoly at Mysore on the 2nd October 1922 containing the reply of Government to a similar request of the South Mysore Planters' Association.

2. It is seen from estimates prepared by Mr. Richards which are the most up to date and accurate

that a Metre Gauge line of 47 miles within the Mysore State would cost Rs.85.72 lakhs and for a 2-ft. 6" Gauge line the cost would be Rs.49.56 lakhs. The State is not in a position at present to find the heavy capital required, particularly as the chances of the line paying are reported to be practically nil.

In these circumstances, I am directed to state that His Highness' Government regret they cannot hold out any prospects of the Hassan-Mangalore Railway project being taken up by them in the near future.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Sd.) K. MATTHAN,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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Copy of the above is forwarded, with compliments, to the Secretary to Govt. for Railways, Flag K with reference to un-official note No.39 dated 14th October 1922 with the printed copy of Mysore & West Coast Railway Projects.

By order,

Subject may be removed, as no action is required. 27/10

For Chief Secretary to Govt.